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Application of :  
Takashi NIWA et al. :  
Serial No. 09/740,664 : Group Art Unit: 2878  
Filed: December 19, 2000 :  
For: NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL PROBE : Examiner - Thanh X. Luu  
HAVING CANTILEVER AND :  
PROBE FORMED OF TRANS- :  
PARENT MATERIAL, METHOD :  
FOR MANUFACTURING NEAR- :  
FIELD OPTICAL PROBE, AND :  
OPTICAL APPARATUS HAVING :  
NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL :  
PROBE (As Amended) : Docket No. S004-4168

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**RESPONSE**

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07/10/2003 AJOHNSD1 00000021 010268 09740664 response to the Office Action dated March 31,  
01 FC:1201 252.00 DA 2003, applicants amend their application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Delete the title of the invention in its entirety  
and insert therefor --NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL PROBE HAVING  
CANTILEVER AND PROBE FORMED OF TRANSPARENT MATERIAL, METHOD  
FOR MANUFACTURING NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL PROBE, AND OPTICAL  
APPARATUS HAVING NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL PROBE--.

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